The next meeting of the

Armstrong County Community Support Program

will be

Thursday, January 25, 2018

at 1:00 P.M.

at

**Kittanning Empowerment Center**

**113 Market Street  
Kittanning**

**Guest Speaker: David Baker of Area Agency on Aging will give a   
 presentation on their services.**

**Armstrong County CSP  
Kittanning Empowerment Center  
12/21/17  
Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 12:55 pm.

**Presentation**

Presentation by Tiffany Chaffee, Operations Manager and Jennifer Warmus, Office Manager of Town and Country Transit.

Discussion points:

* Town and Country is public transportation provider in Armstrong County.
* Fixed Route: Red, Yellow, and Blue Lines. Do not transport out of county. New schedule available on 1/2/18. 65 and older-reduced rate.
* Shared Ride: door to door. Apply and get approved. Need to know ahead of time to schedule ride. One day advanced notice by 11:00 am.
* Currently contracted with Aire-Ride for medical transportation. Use Town and Country for shopping; visiting friends. 18 page application.
* PWD Program-under 65 years old. Payer of last resort - shopping, educational. Work with CM’s to help make application process as easy as possible, so no delay in getting service. PWD fare - state covers 85% of cost. Mileage based - 15 % of full fare.
* Limited out of county transportation with Shared Ride: Butler - Wednesdays and Fridays; Pittsburgh – Tuesdays; and Thursdays - Natrona Heights.
* ADA/Complimentary Program- live within ¾ mile of fixed route.
* MATP- ages 18-64 Air Ride, 65 and older Town and Country, both overseen by Armstrong County Community Action Agency.
* January 9, 2018 – PWD Advisory Meeting, Board Room, 1:00 pm.

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Review of October 2017 AC CSP minutes. Motion to approve: Beth motioned, Marvin seconded.

**Agency Reports**

Mandy, Area Agency on Aging - Open enrollment ended for Medicare. Business as usual.

Denise, Behavioral & Developmental Health Program - County aware of transportation issues. Review at state level. Armstrong County looks at regulations differently than Indiana County. Priority of county to look at transportation. County will set up meetings/focus groups. Concerns regarding transportation. Transportation Solutions Work Group. ACMH is in process of opening 4 detox beds, which don’t require medical management. Two (2) levels of detox: medically managed and medically monitored (non- hospital like Pyramid and Gateway). Denise is point person for Community HealthChoices.

Pat, Unity Family Services - Looking for bachelors or masters level family based therapists in Indiana and Leechburg.

Karan, Beacon Health Options - Beginning in 2018, name change from VBH to Beacon Health Options. Merged with Beacon Health Solutions three years ago. No changes to benefits.

Laurie, Kittanning Empowerment Center - Had Thanksgiving Dinner with Unity. Served 60-65 people. Christmas Dinner tomorrow at Unity, expecting about 65 people. Had yearly pool tournament at end of October. Monthly pool tournaments held on last Friday of each month.

Michelle, Peerstar - International Survivors of Suicide held on Saturday before Thanksgiving. About 35 people attended. Suicide Survivors’ group - “Healing with Hope” (see flyer). Suicide Task Force meeting at Kittanning Empowerment Center third Wednesday of each quarter at 8:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm. Brian motioned. Marvin seconded.